

reconfiguration module is connected to each channel group. A first type of module makes it possible to perform a manual configuration of the Add-Drop channels and the coupled WDM channel while a second type of module makes it possible to carry out remote configuration. A fourth type of module enables remote configuration of the drop-continue channels--.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please enter the enclosed Substitute Specification together with a marked-up copy of the substitute specification. No new matter is added.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1-15 without prejudice.

Please substitute new claims 16-31 as follows:

16. A configurable add-drop multiplexing device for an optical wavelength division multiplex transmission system, comprising:

a group filter which divides an incoming WDM signal into a plurality of channel groups with channels of different wavelengths;

a plurality of exchangeable modules each of which connect to a respective channel group for connecting through and branching off channels;

the exchangeable modules comprising at least one of first, second, and third module types;

the first module type being for manual reconfiguration of connected-through and add-drop